



# G-5's "Eye on AMC" U.S. Army Materiel Command

*Essential in Peace, Indispensable in War*

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## A message from the Command Sergeant Major

*AMC soldiers make up a small cadre of the command's 50,000 quiet professionals. They are the built-in assets for our scientists, engineers and logisticians and bring a "soldier's-eye-view" to the logistics and R&D areas of the command. Together with the AMC civilian workforce, they help create an uncompromising team to sustain the warfighter and speed new technology to the field.*

Command Sgt. Maj. Tyler Walker II

## Army personnel receive Defense Standardization Program awards

Martin L. Snyder of AMC's Tank-automotive and Armaments Command was the sole recipient of the 2002 Distinguished Achievement Award at the 2003 Department of Defense Standardization Symposium for his development of a new, multivolt IR-secure blackout driving lamp. The new lamp complies with international standardization agreements enabling interoperability with NATO forces, has an estimated life of 100,000 hours, and is a direct field replacement for all tactical and commercial vehicles configured with blackout lights. The lamps were put into production in June 2002 on Army's Heavy Expanded Mobility Tactical Truck plus other tactical wheeled vehicle systems.

A Communications-Electronics Command team won a 2002 Defense Standardization Program Award for developing and implementing a tool to test and diagnose data buses built to MIL-STD-1553. When fully deployed, the single standardized Advanced Multiplex Test System will significantly reduce the logistics footprint, enhance readiness through on-board testing, and save dollars for Army and multi-service platforms. For example, the Apache Longbow pilot program demonstration projected a 6-year payoff of more than \$10 million dollars. The AMTS can apply to all electronics systems using the MIL-STD-1553 data bus on their host platforms.

## AMC visits staff of Senate Arms Services Committee chairman

Dick Barnett, AMC's Deputy G-3 for Industrial Operations, Steve Linke, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army (ALT), and Matt Zimmerman, Office of the Program Executive Officer for Ammunition, met with Cord Sterling and John Gumbleton of Senator John Warner's staff May 21 to discuss Radford Army Ammunition Plant. The discussion focused on the contractor's plans for improvements to the plant, and the future of Radford.

## AMC welcomes reserve troops

Soldiers from the 398th Chemical Company, an Army reserve unit based in Tennessee, recently reported to the Aberdeen Proving Ground's Edgewood area to augment AMC's Technical Escort Unit.

More than 80 soldiers have been activated to augment TEU's homeland response capabilities while the battalion's busy teams continue to support DoD's efforts to disarm Iraq. The company's two platoons, which normally perform decontamination and smoke operations, will spend the next few months in training, so they can be integrated into a variety of elements within the battalion.

While attached to the Technical Escort Unit, the reserve soldiers will be supporting the unit's worldwide response mission of monitoring, sampling, packaging, transporting and disposing of weaponized and nonweaponized chemical and biological hazards. The augmentees are expected to remain activated for about a year.

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"The soldiers showed up with their duffle bags, drew the equipment and were able to move out quickly."

Brig. Gen. Vincent Boles  
Commanding General

AMC Logistics Support Element-Southwest Asia

Speaking about the success of using Army pre-positioned equipment from Kuwait, Qatar and on ships afloat during Operation Iraqi Freedom, Boles and Brig. Gen. Jack Stultz, deputy commanding general for the 377<sup>th</sup> Theater Support Command, participated in a media opportunity with the Pentagon Press Corps May 19 in the DoD Press Briefing Room.

*\*\*At 3 p.m. on Memorial Day, May 26, Americans are asked to stop for a minute and spend a moment of silence in tribute to fallen service members who have made the supreme sacrifice for the nation.\*\**